

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims (deleted text being struck through (or triple-bracketed) and added text being underlined):

1 1. (Currently Amended) A mobile ice fishing shelter assembly
2 comprising:
3 a vehicle having a seat portion and a drive assembly;
4 a shelter assembly coupled to said vehicle, said ~~cover~~ shelter assembly
5 being adjustable between a retracted position and a deployed position;
6 said seat portion including at least one pivotable seat member for
7 adjusting a position of a user to selectively facilitate driving said vehicle
8 and fishing to a side of said vehicle while seated on said seat portion;
9 said drive assembly including a drive track adapted for engaging a
10 ground surface for moving said vehicle.

2. (Cancelled)

1 3. (Currently Amended) The mobile ice fishing shelter assembly of
2 claim [[[2]]] 1 wherein said drive track is selectively retractable into said
3 vehicle to lower the vehicle for stabilization while the shelter is in said
4 deployed position.

1 4. (Original) The mobile ice fishing shelter assembly of claim 1
2 wherein said vehicle includes an adjustable suspension assembly for
3 accommodating variances in weight supported by said vehicle such that said
4 seat portion is in a substantially horizontal orientation during use.

1 5. (Original) The mobile ice fishing shelter assembly of claim 1
2 wherein said shelter assembly includes a frame assembly and a cover
3 member coupled to said frame assembly.

1 6. (Original) The mobile ice fishing shelter assembly of claim 5
2 wherein said frame assembly includes a static connection member and at
3 least one movable frame member coupled to said connection member.

1 7. (Currently Amended) The mobile ice fishing shelter assembly of
2 ~~claim 1~~ comprising:
3 a vehicle having a seat portion and a drive assembly;
4 a shelter assembly coupled to said vehicle, said shelter assembly being
5 adjustable between a retracted position and a deployed position;
6 said seat portion including at least one seat member;
7 wherein said seat portion includes a central portion supporting said
8 seat member and a platform extending outwardly from said central portion
9 for supporting the user's feet.

1 8. (Original) The mobile ice fishing shelter assembly of claim 7
2 wherein said platform is a first side platform, said seat portion further
3 including a second side platform, each of said first and second side
4 platforms being positioned on a respective side of said central portion of
5 said seat portion.

1 9. (Original) The mobile ice fishing shelter assembly of claim 7,
2 further comprising:
3 a bucket; and
4 wherein a width of said platform is sufficient to support said bucket
5 on said platform.

1 10. (Original) The mobile ice fishing shelter assembly of claim 1,
2 further comprising:
3 a rack positioned on a front of said vehicle, said rack being adapted
4 for carrying equipment, said rack being positioned on said front of said
5 vehicle for balancing weight distribution on said vehicle.

11. (Original) The mobile ice fishing shelter of claim 5, further comprising:

said frame assembly including two static base members coupled to said vehicle, said frame assembly further including a plurality of movable frame members each being coupled to an associated one of said static base members for extending to each side of said vehicle such that the user is enclosed within said shelter assembly when said shelter assembly is in said deployed position.

12. (Currently Amended) ~~The~~ A mobile ice fishing shelter assembly ~~of claim 11 comprising:~~

a vehicle having a seat portion and a drive assembly;
a shelter assembly coupled to said vehicle, said shelter assembly being adjustable between a retracted position and a deployed position;

said seat portion including at least one pivotable seat member for adjusting a position of a user to selectively facilitate driving said vehicle and fishing to a side of said vehicle while seated on said seat portion;

wherein said shelter assembly includes a frame assembly and a cover member coupled to said frame assembly;

said frame assembly including two static base members coupled to said vehicle, said frame assembly further including a plurality of movable frame members each being coupled to an associated one of said static base members for extending to each side of said vehicle such that the user is enclosed within said shelter assembly when said shelter assembly is in said deployed position;

wherein front portions of said static base members are spaced apart adjacent to a front of said vehicle;

a portion of said cover extending between said front portions of said static base members; and

said cover including a clear portion being positioned between said front portions of said static base members for forming a windshield.

1 13. (Original) The mobile ice fishing shelter of claim 1, further
2 comprising:

3 a steering wheel coupled to said vehicle, said steering wheel being
4 tilted upwardly for preserving space adjacent to said seat portion and for
5 balancing weight distribution on said vehicle.

1 14. (Currently Amended) ~~The~~ A mobile ice fishing shelter assembly
2 ~~of claim 1, further~~ comprising:

3 a vehicle having a seat portion and a drive assembly;
4 a shelter assembly coupled to said vehicle, said shelter assembly being
5 adjustable between a retracted position and a deployed position;

6 said seat portion including at least one pivotable seat member for
7 adjusting a position of a user to selectively facilitate driving said vehicle
8 and fishing to a side of said vehicle while seated on said seat portion;

9 ~~a retractable skirt coupled to said seat portion, said retractable skirt~~
10 being positionable to extend from said seat portion toward the ground
11 surface for preventing wind from entering said shelter assembly from
12 beneath said vehicle.

1 15. (Currently Amended) The mobile ice fishing shelter assembly of
2 claim 14, further comprising:

3 said ~~retractable~~ skirt having a medial portion and a pair of outer
4 portions coupled said medial portion, said medial portion being coupled to
5 said seat portion, said outer portions being positionable relative to said
6 medial portion such that said skirt is generally U-shaped and said outer
7 portions extend away from said vehicle adjacent to a bottom of said shelter
8 assembly when said shelter assembly is in said deployed position.

1 16. (Currently Amended) The mobile ice fishing shelter assembly of
2 claim 1, ~~wherein said drive assembly includes a drive track adapted for~~
3 ~~engaging a ground surface for moving said vehicle;~~

4 wherein said drive track is selectively retractable into said vehicle to
5 lower the vehicle for stabilization while the shelter is in said deployed
6 position;

7 wherein said vehicle includes an adjustable suspension assembly for
8 accommodating variances in weight supported by said vehicle such that said
9 seat portion is in a substantially horizontal orientation during use;

10 wherein said shelter assembly includes a frame assembly and a cover
11 member coupled to said frame assembly;

12 wherein said frame assembly includes a static connection member and
13 at least one movable frame member coupled to said connection member;

14 wherein said seat portion includes a central portion supporting said
15 seat member and a platform extending outwardly from said central portion
16 for supporting the user's feet;

17 wherein said platform is a first side platform, said seat portion further
18 including a second side platform, each of said first and second side
19 platforms being positioned on a respective side of said central portion of
20 said seat portion;

21 further comprising a bucket, and wherein a width of said platform is
22 sufficient to support said bucket on said platform;

23 further comprising a rack positioned on a front of said vehicle, said
24 rack being adapted for carrying equipment, said rack being positioned on
25 said front of said vehicle for balancing weight distribution on said vehicle;

26 wherein said frame assembly includes two static base members coupled
27 to said vehicle, said frame assembly further including a plurality of movable
28 frame members each being coupled to an associated one of said static base
29 members for extending to each side of said vehicle such that the user is

30 enclosed within said shelter assembly when said shelter assembly is in said
31 deployed position;

32 wherein front portions of said static base members are spaced apart
33 adjacent to a front of said vehicle;

34 wherein a portion of said cover extends between said front portions of
35 said static base members;

36 wherein said cover includes a clear portion being positioned between
37 said front portions of said static base members for forming a windshield;

38 further comprising a steering wheel coupled to said vehicle, said
39 steering wheel being tilted upwardly for preserving space adjacent to said
40 seat portion and for balancing weight distribution on said vehicle;

41 further comprising a ~~retractable skirt coupled to said seat portion, said~~
42 ~~retractable skirt~~ being positionable to extend from said seat portion toward
43 the ground surface for preventing wind from entering said shelter assembly
44 from beneath said vehicle; and

45 wherein said ~~retractable~~ skirt has a medial portion and a pair of outer
46 portions coupled said medial portion, said medial portion being coupled to
47 said seat portion, said outer portions being positionable relative to said
48 medial portion such that said skirt is generally U-shaped and said outer
49 portions extend away from said vehicle adjacent to a bottom of said shelter
50 assembly when said shelter assembly is in said deployed position.

1 17. (Currently Amended) A mobile ice fishing shelter assembly for
2 positioning on a vehicle, said mobile ice fishing shelter assembly
3 comprising:

4 a shelter assembly for ~~coupling to~~ mounting on the vehicle, said ~~cover~~
5 shelter assembly being adjustable between a retracted position and a
6 deployed position; and

7 a seat portion for mounting on the vehicle, said seat portion including
8 a central portion and a platform extending outwardly from said central
9 portion for supporting feet of the user;

10 at least one pivotable seat member on said central portion of said seat
11 portion for adjusting a position of a user to selectively facilitate driving
12 said vehicle and fishing to a side of said vehicle while seated on said seat
13 portion member.

1 18. (Currently Amended) ~~The~~ A mobile ice fishing shelter assembly
2 ~~of claim 1 additionally~~ comprising:

3 a vehicle having a seat portion and a drive assembly;

4 a shelter assembly coupled to said vehicle, said shelter assembly being
5 adjustable between a retracted position and a deployed position;

6 said seat portion including at least one pivotable seat member for
7 adjusting a position of a user to selectively facilitate driving said vehicle
8 and fishing to a side of said vehicle while seated on said seat portion;

9 a said seat portion including a central portion supporting said seat
10 member and a platform extending outwardly from said central portion for
11 supporting feet of the user.

1 19. (Previously Presented) The mobile ice fishing shelter assembly
2 of claim 18 wherein said platform is a first side platform, said seat portion
3 further including a second side platform, each of said first and second side
4 platforms being positioned on a respective side of said central portion of
5 said seat portion.

1 20. (Currently Amended) The mobile ice fishing shelter assembly of
2 claim 18 additionally comprising a ~~retractable skirt coupled to said seat~~
3 ~~portion, said retractable skirt~~ being positionable to extend from said seat
4 portion toward the ground surface for preventing wind from entering said
5 shelter assembly from beneath the vehicle.

1 21. (New) The mobile ice fishing shelter assembly of claim 7
2 wherein said seat portion includes a substantially vertical outer wall
3 mounted on said platform and positioned in a spaced and substantially
4 parallel relationship to said central portion of said seat portion..

1 22. (New) The mobile ice fishing shelter assembly of claim 7
2 wherein said seat portion includes a substantially vertical rear wall
3 extending substantially perpendicular to a length direction of said central
4 portion of said seat portion, said rear wall being mounted on at least a
5 portion of said platform and at least a portion of said central portion of said
6 seat portion..